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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, DECEMBER 14, 2001

APPLICATIONS OF

TIGER NATURAL GAS, INC.

CASE NO. PUE010536

For a permanent license to conduct business as a natural gas competitive service provider

and

TIGER NATURAL GAS, INC.

CASE NO. PUE000487

For a license to conduct business as a competitive service provider in natural gas retail access pilot programs

ORDER GRANTING LICENSE

On October 9, 2001, Tiger Natural Gas, Inc., ("Tiger" or "the Company"), filed an application with the Commission to convert and expand its pilot license, License Nos. PG-16¹ to a permanent license to provide competitive natural gas services to residential, commercial, and industrial customers throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia as the Commonwealth opens up to retail access and customer choice. The Company attested that it would abide by all applicable regulations of the Commission as

¹ This pilot license permits the Company to operate in the natural gas retail access pilot programs of Columbia Gas of Virginia, Inc., ("CGV"), and Washington Gas Light Company ("WGL").

required by 20 VAC 5-312-40 of the Commission's Rules Governing Retail Access to Competitive Energy Services ("Retail Access Rules").

On October 26, 2001, the Commission issued its Order For Notice and Comment, establishing the case, requiring Tiger to provide notice of its application to appropriate persons, including each natural gas utility in Virginia, and providing for the receipt of comments from the public.

No comments from the public on Tiger's application were received.

NOW UPON consideration of Tiger's application to convert and expand its present license to a permanent license to conduct these activities, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that Tiger's request should be granted; that Case No. PUE000487 be closed; and that any reports that Tiger must file in accordance with the Interim Rules Governing Electric and Natural Gas Retail Access Pilot Programs ("Interim Rules"), 20 VAC 5-311-10 et seq., be filed in the captioned docket, Case No. PUE010536.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) Tiger's pilot license, License No. PG-16, is hereby cancelled and replaced with License No. G-13 to provide natural gas service to residential, commercial, and industrial customers in conjunction with the retail access pilot program of CGV, the

retail access program of WGL, and throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia as the Commonwealth opens up to retail access and customer choice.

- (2) These licenses are not valid authority for the provision of any product or service not identified within the license itself.
- (3) Failure of Tiger Natural Gas, Inc., to comply with the Retail Access Rules, the provisions of this Order, other State Corporation Commission orders and rules, or other applicable state or federal laws may result in an enforcement action by the Commission including, without limitation, the revocation, suspension, or modification of the license granted herein, the refusal to renew such licenses, the imposition of appropriate fines and penalties, or such other additional actions as may be necessary to protect the public interest.
 - (4) Case No. PUE000487 is hereby closed.
- (5) This matter shall remain open pending the receipt of any reports required by the Interim Rules and the Retail Access Rules.